Eastern Connecticut State University has been a huge part of my development into a well-rounded adult. When I entered into the university three years ago, I was a completely different person whom lacked culture and identity. Ever since, I have been exposed to all sorts of different aspects of life that have enhanced my intellectual experience in the world.

I attended high school in Brookfield, CT which is an upper middle class suburban town next to Danbury, CT. All through high school I was surrounded by people who were just the same as me. I was naïve to the problems in the world due to my lack of knowledge. Coming to Eastern Connecticut State University I have learned of the other socioeconomic classes and have a better understanding the way the world works.

At Eastern, I am a political science major and I have learned all about foreign policy, domestic affairs, the internal workings of government, and so much more. These classes have taught me of a passion for politics that I never knew I had. Not only have my academic skills flourished but my leadership skills have as well. My freshmen year at Eastern I joined Student Government Association and have held various leadership positions within the club. I have worked as an orientation leader for the past two summers which has taught me even further of the workings of Eastern and other institutions. Being so involved on campus I have fallen in love with Eastern and I enjoy helping the school to flourish.

Eastern Connecticut State University has been a vital part my life and as well as my friends that I have made here. Cutting the budget and molding this university with community colleges would do an injustice to the Eastern. The mission statement would change becoming detrimental to the reputation of the university and its students. The students at Eastern chose to come here and should get the education that they applied to get.